

**Village of Indian Head Park  
201 Acacia Drive  
Indian Head Park, IL 60525**

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

*“Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/c.06 (3) minutes of public meetings shall include, but need not be limited to a general description of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided and a record of votes taken.”*

Thursday, March 8, 2012

7:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER – MAYOR RICHARD ANDREWS**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Village of Indian Head Park Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, March 8, 2012 at the Municipal Facility, 201 Acacia Drive, and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Richard Andrews. Deputy Clerk Kathy Leach called the roll as follows:

**ROLL CALL: KATHY LEACH, DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK**

**PRESENT (AND CONSTITUTING A QUORUM):**

Mayor Richard Andrews  
Trustee Debbie Anselmo  
Trustee Brian T. Bailey  
Trustee Anne Bermier  
Trustee Carol Coleman  
Trustee Norman L. Schnauffer  
Trustee Matthew P. Walsh

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Steve Busa, Treasurer  
Michael Durkin, Counsel, Storino, Ramello & Durkin  
Edward Santen, Water/Public Works Superintendent

## **NOT PRESENT:**

Frank Alonzo, Chief of Police/Administration (prior personal commitment)

Joseph V. Consolo, Village Clerk (prior personal commitment)

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Mayor Andrews and the Board of Trustees led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: *“I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all”*.

## **RECOGNITION OF RESIDENT DESMOND ROBERTS**

Mayor Andrews stated that Desmond Roberts, a principal owner of Advantage Chevrolet and also a long time resident of Indian Head Park, donated a vehicle to the Indian Head Park Police Department. He thanked Mr. Roberts for his generosity. Mayor Andrews presented Mr. Roberts with a Certificate of Recognition in appreciation and gratitude for his outstanding citizenship and community spirit exemplified by the gift of a new vehicle for the police department.

Mr. Roberts stated when he purchased the dealership almost thirteen years ago, his desire was to find a place to call home close to the dealership and found a wonderful place for his family in Indian Head Park. He added that he has enjoyed living in Indian Head Park and thought the gift of a new police vehicle would help the police department.

## **PROCLAMATION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF KELLI JOY O’LAUGHLIN**

On behalf of the Village Board, Mayor Andrews issued the following proclamation to honor the memory of Kelli Joy O’Laughlin:

**PROCLAMATION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF**  
**KELLI JOY O'LAUGHLIN**  
**(1997 to 2011)**

**Whereas, Kelli Joy O'Laughlin**, life-long Indian Head Park resident, was born on April 2, 1997, to her parents John and Brenda O'Laughlin, and was the dear sister of Ryan (Melissa), Bridgette, and Daniel Douglas, and the proud aunt of Norah Grey Douglas; and

**Whereas, Kelli Joy** grew in mind, body, and spirit through the loving care of her parents, and nurturing spirit of her Indian Head Park neighbors; and

**Whereas, Kelli Joy** attended LaGrange Highlands School and Lyons Township High School where she was endeared to many friends, teachers, and classmates, and pursued her favorite subjects of math, science, and physical education; and

**Whereas, Kelli Joy** spent countless hours at play in Sacajawea Park and later pursued her love of tennis and running, and belonged to the Girl Scouts of America and the Oak Brook Racquet and Fitness Club; and

**Whereas, Kelli Joy** exhibited a vivacious personality, love of life, and concern for others as exemplified by her infectious joy and sparkling smile, and had dreams of using her God-given talents someday as a pediatrician or school teacher; and

**Whereas, Kelli Joy** was lost to us before she could achieve the promise of her life or reach the destiny of her potential;

**Therefore**, I, Richard S. Andrews, Mayor of the Village of Indian Head Park, in recognition that **Kelli Joy** has touched the residents of our community, and to commemorate her precious life and her vibrant spirit that remains with us, do hereby proclaim April 2, 2012, and every April 2<sup>nd</sup> hereafter, as "**Kelli Joy O'Laughlin Memorial Day**".

*Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012*

Richard S. Andrews, Mayor  
Village of Indian Head Park

Mayor Andrews presented the proclamation to Mr. & Mrs. O'Laughlin and stated Kelli Joy will never be forgotten.

Mayor Andrews stated that the Village Board intends to establish a permanent memorial in memory of Kelli Joy O’Laughlin, with the input and approval of her family, designating a location at Sacajawea Park with a tree to be planted, a bench and a plaque on a boulder at the park. Mayor Andrews stated that a dedication will be held at a date to be determined sometime in May or June.

Mayor Andrews further stated Kelli Joy touched the lives of many who knew her not only in Indian Head Park but in the extended communities and schools as well. Mayor Andrews asked everyone to pause for a moment of silence on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in memory of Kelli Joy O’Laughlin. He added that Abbey Conboy, a friend and classmate of Kelli O’Laughlin, provided input and details with regard to the requested moment of silence.

Past Village President, Rich Pellegrino, stated the Indian Head Park Heritage Foundation this past fall raised money for renovations to the Heritage Center. He presented Mayor Andrews and the Village Board with a check for \$2,000 from the Heritage Foundation for improvements to the Indian Head Park Heritage Center.

Rich Pellegrino also presented Mr. & Mrs. O’Laughlin with a check from the Indian Head Park Heritage Foundation for the Kelli Joy O’Laughlin Scholarship Fund.

Mr. & Mrs. O’Laughlin thanked everyone for their support in the community and stated without the prayers and support from everyone it would have been even more difficult to get through the tragedy.

## **MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Andrews acknowledged a donation of \$100.00 from Peter and Pat Wilkes Protective Services from Benton Harbor, Michigan who happen to be fond of landscaping and are good friends with a resident of Ashbrook, Susan Kiley. The proceeds are to be used for plantings flowers at the Heritage Center.

Mayor Andrews noted the annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Blackhawk Park on Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Andrews mentioned the General Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and due to redistricting some polling place locations and precincts may have changed. Mayor Andrews stated there are three separate referendum questions on the March 20<sup>th</sup> ballot that are significant to the future of the Village.

He noted that each referendum question must pass by the majority of the voters in order for the proposal to move forward as previously discussed.

## **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

### *Approval of Arbor Day Proclamation*

*Approval of an Ordinance Amending Section 2.16.130 entitled “Part-Time Officers” of the Indian Head Park Municipal Code (Ordinance #2012-3).*

Mayor Andrews entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Coleman moved, seconded by Trustee Walsh, to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (6/0/0).

*Ayes: Trustees: Anselmo, Bailey, Bermier, Coleman, Schnaufer, Walsh*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: None*

## **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT – TREASURER STEVE BUSA**

*Approval of Financial Report for the month ending January 31, 2012*

*Approval of Financial Report for the month ending February 29, 2012*

Treasurer Busa presented the financial report for the month ending January 31, 2012. For the month of January, he noted: total revenues were \$329,807.53; expenditures were \$313,469.14 and fund balances in all accounts at the end of January were \$591,944.16. The financial report for the month ending February 29, 2012 was not available yet. Trustee Schnaufer moved, seconded by Trustee Bermier, to approve the financial report for January 2012 as presented by Treasurer Busa. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (6/0/0).

*Ayes: Trustees: Anselmo, Bailey, Bermier, Coleman, Schnaufer, Walsh*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: None*

Mayor Andrews noted that all bank statements were not received in time to complete the financial report for the month ending February 29, 2012. Therefore, the financial report for the month ending February 29, 2012 will be presented to the Board for approval at the April meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

*Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting- February 9, 2012*

After review of Board meeting minutes, Trustee Bailey moved, seconded by Trustee Coleman, to approve the February 9, 2012 Board meeting minutes, as amended. Carried by unanimous voice vote (6/0/0).

## **QUESTIONS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Walsh moved, seconded by Trustee Bailey, to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Section 2 (c) (21) of the Open Meetings Act to review closed session minutes as required by Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act and 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of certain employees. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (6/0/0).

*Ayes: Trustees: Anselmo, Bailey, Bermier, Coleman, Schnaufer, Walsh*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: None*

## **RETURN TO THE OPEN MEETING**

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Trustee Bermier moved, seconded by Trustee Walsh, to return to the regular Board meeting. Carried by unanimous voice vote (6/0/0).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Bermier moved, seconded by Trustee Walsh, to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 8:55 p.m. Carried by unanimous voice vote (6/0/0).

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Leach, Deputy Village Clerk/Recording Secretary